

## *Quick Facts--Adult Services Programs at the Virginia Department of Social Services*



The Virginia Department of Social Services (VDSS) Adult Services Program/Adult Protective Services Program provides guidance and support to 120 local departments of social services which assist adults aged 60 or older and incapacitated adults ages 18-59. Services provided may include case management, home-based care, transportation, adult day

services, and screenings for residential long-term care. The goal of Adult Services is to allow the adult to remain in the least restrictive setting and function as independently as possible.

Local Adult Protective Services (APS) programs investigate reports of suspected adult abuse, neglect or exploitation and can arrange for health, housing, counseling, and legal services to stop the mistreatment and prevent further abuse.

Anyone who suspects that an adult is being abused, neglected or financially or sexually exploited may make a report by calling the local department of social services or the 24-hour toll-free hotline at 888-832-3858. Persons who make a report may do so anonymously. Reporters should give the name, age and address or location of the person who is suspected of being abused. Information about the abusive situation also should be provided.

Report suspected adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation to Adult Protective Services at your local department of social services or to the 24-hour toll-free hotline at **1-888-832-3858**.

**ABUSE HURTS AT ANY AGE!**